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Training Drills and Scenarios
Safety Rules

WARNING: Ultimate responsibility for the safety of all instructors, students, and observers rests with the Master Instructor. The basic safety rules are a modified version of the standard firearms safety rules and apply to all classroom instruction and training drills. In order to allow dynamic, realistic training under controlled conditions during the scenario-based training, specific modifications to the basic safety rules are authorized as listed below.

Basic Safety Rules:

- NO firearm (loaded or unloaded) shall be permitted in the Training Area
- Treat all TASER weapon systems as if they are loaded
- Keep finger outside the trigger guard until you are on target and ready to fire
- Always point the TASER device in a safe direction
- Know your target and what may be within a 25 foot perimeter
- Except during scenario training, never deploy a TASER device toward another person even if they are well beyond 21 feet away.
- Unsafe behavior of any type will not be tolerated
- Students must advise the Master Instructor if they have any injury or pre-existing health condition that would preclude their participation in any training exercise
- Report any injuries immediately to the instructor. If any injuries are reported, the Master Instructor must complete the Accidental Discharge/Injury Report in the Forms Chapter
- The command “Stop Action” will be used anytime a situation is deemed hazardous. This command may be given by ANY of the participants or observers. When given, every participant will cease all activity and point their weapons in a safe direction and put the safety switch in the down (SAFE) position. The TASER Safety Officer (TSO) will advise when it is clear to resume the drill or scenario

Additional Safety Rules for Scenario Training:

- All participants during live-fire scenario-based training must wear eye protection.
- If any protective equipment becomes dislodged, an immediate “Stop Action” should be declared. The scenario can resume only when the equipment has been properly adjusted.
- Not all TASER products are designed for use in training against live targets. Treat all TASER Cartridges as live and conductive until personally verified by the instructor or TASER Safety Officer (TSO)
- The protective suit does not provide any ballistic protection from any conventional ammunition. Nor does it protect the wearer from the effects of the drive stun. DO NOT USE THE PROTECTIVE SUIT FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN TRAINING WITH THE BLUE (LS) TASER CARTRIDGE
- The temperature inside the suit can become warm when used over a long period of time especially during long drawn-out scenarios. It is recommended that role-players be given regular breaks and encouraged to drink lots of water. It also aids in cooling if the role-player wears loose fitting, comfortable clothing. The suit should not be worn directly over the skin since a layer of clothing provides an additional layer of protection.
Equipment Requirements

Specific equipment requirements are listed at the beginning of each training drill and scenario. In general, the following equipment is required.

- M26 with holsters and extra cartridge holders
- X26 with holsters and XDPM
- TASER Cartridges (standard and LS)
- Safety glasses for all participants and instructors in the TRAINING AREA
- Targets for firing drills
- Simulation Suit for scenario training

WEAPONS: TASER International uses a dedicated inventory of training weapons. These weapons endure extreme conditions during training and potential damage during shipping to multiple locations. If a training weapon is defective, the Master Instructor must complete the Training Weapon Malfunction Report in the Forms Chapter and return the form with the weapons.

TASER CARTRIDGES: TASER International requires deploying a minimum of four live cartridges during instructor training. At least three live cartridges must be fired into targets during required drills (see Instructor Application). Since scenario training offers the most realistic training, use of the blue LS cartridges is highly recommended. Depending on the number of cartridges available, the Master Instructor must determine how many drills and/or scenarios may be conducted with standard and LS cartridges. Be aware that the standard cartridge used in training may be the 15-foot model due to the lower cost. All LS (blue) cartridges are 21 feet.

WARNING: HANDLE TASER CARTRIDGES WITH CARE. PROBES MAY DEPLOY UNEXPECTEDLY IF EXPOSED TO STATIC ELECTRICITY OR PHYSICAL SHOCK. DO NOT POINT TOWARD FACE. KEEP HANDS CLEAR OF FRONT OF CARTRIDGE.

SIMULATION SUIT: The protective suit was designed to be used with the TASER Live Simulation (Blue LS) Cartridge. It has been designed to resist multiple probe impacts from the LS cartridges when properly worn. The suit is also designed to give the role-player ease of movement and realism in his or her response to various scenarios. The components of the suit include:

- Protective helmet with clear face shield and safety hood
- Protective jacket with two arm-length extensions and throat protector
- Two protective leg sleeves with leg extensions
- Protective groin pad
- Gloves (provide limited protection to hands)

Proper Use and Maintenance: Inspect the suit prior to and immediately following any scheduled training. The inspection should include checks for tearing, ripping or other obvious damage. If the suit is damaged, get it repaired before it is used again. After donning the suit, another student or instructor should inspect the suit for proper fit. Pay particular attention to any exposed areas. Upon the completion of any training it is recommended that the suit be wiped down and allowed to dry. If the suit should need to be more thoroughly cleaned, wash it off with a mild soap and water, hang-up and allow to air dry.
Training Drills and Scenario Training

Introduction

Training Drills Objectives: To familiarize students with the basic operation of the TASER device controls and provide students with the practical experience to safely and effectively operate the TASER device.

WARNING: SOME TRAINING DRILLS USE EXPENDED (OR NO) TASER CARTRIDGES AND SOME REQUIRE THE USE OF LIVE TASER CARTRIDGES. MASTER INSTRUCTORS MUST USE EXTREME CARE TO ENSURE THAT NO LIVE CARTRIDGES ARE PRESENT DURING TRAINING DRILLS REQUIRING THE USE OF EXPENDED CARTRIDGES.

Scenario Training Objective: To provide realistic training in proper deployment of the TASER devices in a variety of real world scenarios and to provide the opportunity to apply learned knowledge and skills under a stressful yet controlled environment.

Scenario training is a required component of the TASER Instructor Course. The more realistic the scenarios are the more the student will gain from the training. With this in mind, it is highly recommended that Instructors use training aids when possible to enhance the realism. No firearm that is capable of firing lethal munitions shall be used whether loaded or not.

If for some reason the simulation suit and/or LS (blue) cartridges are not available to conduct the scenario training, the Master Instructor may still certify the student instructors by modifying the scenarios to use live cartridges and fixed targets.

WARNING: DUE TO THE DYNAMIC NATURE OF SCENARIO-BASED TRAINING AND THE GREATER RISK FOR INJURY, TASER INTERNATIONAL REQUIRES STRICT ADHERENCE TO ALL SAFETY GUIDELINES. INSTRUCTORS, STUDENTS, AND/OR OBSERVERS MUST COMMAND A “STOP ACTION” IF THEY OBSERVE ANY VIOLATION OF SAFETY PROCEDURES.

Scenario Training Location: The availability of facilities to conduct scenario-based training will vary. Instructors should contact the host agency to see what facilities are available. The site may be in-doors or out. Master Instructors are EXPECTED to modify procedures as necessary to ensure that safety is the first priority. Access in and out of the training site MUST be controlled and two definitive zones need to be established.

• Staging (Safe) Area: This area is outside the 25 foot perimeter surrounding the Training Area. If possible, a physical barrier should separate the training area from the staging area. This area is safe for observers and should be used for gear storage, scenario briefings, etc.

• Training Area: A 25 foot perimeter (from the TASER device) within which training takes place. This area will also include a “downrange” area where all TASER fire will be directed. The downrange area will be clear of all persons not wearing a simulation suit and free from anything that could be damaged by TASER probes.
Scenario Training Roles and Responsibilities

In order to safely and effectively manage the scenario training, the Master Instructor is responsible for designating students and/or other instructors to assume certain roles and responsibilities.

**TASER Safety Officer (TSO):** The TSO is responsible for monitoring the overall safety of the scenario and is normally the Master Instructor. Since it is not possible to maintain overall awareness when actively participating in the scenario, the Master Instructor should not assume an active role in the scenarios and should not be the person wearing the simulation suit. The Master Instructor may also designate another instructor or student to perform the role of TSO during a scenario. The TSO will ensure all weapons are removed from students and role-players prior to participating or entering the training location. The TSO must personally supervise the pre-scenario personnel/equipment inspections to ensure that only the blue LS cartridges are used in the scenario.

**TASER Evaluation Officer (TEO):** The TEO is responsible for setting-up and running the scenarios. The TEO also leads the post-scenario discussion and critique with all participants. The TEO should be very knowledgeable about the TASER and have a strong training background. The primary responsibility of the TEO is to ensure the scenario objectives are met. This includes evaluating the student’s performance on the scenario. The TEO shall also direct the role-players if needed. Normally, the Master instructor will be the TEO for the first scenario. The Master Instructor should select one or more student instructors to perform the functions of the TEO for subsequent scenarios. The students selected should have operational experience with the TASER at his/her agency. If the instructor class is comprised of students without any TASER experience, the TASER Instructor must assume the TEO role.

**Role Player (Subject):** The role player is the subject in each scenario and must wear the simulation suit. The TEO provides clear and concise instructions to the role-player to ensure they understand the objectives. The Master Instructor needs to emphasize the importance of following the scenario parameters with the role player. Some latitude is given to the role player to get students to respond to the simulated threat, but not at the expense of safety. The TSO must ensure that the protective suit is properly adjusted on the role player before, during and after each scenario. The role-player must follow the directions of the TSO and TEO at all times.

**Responder(s):** Each student should participate as a responder in at least one scenario, even if the student has also participated as a role player or TEO. The TEO provides clear and concise instructions to the responder regarding the specific scenario and critiques the student performance at the end of the scenario. Response to each scenario should be based on responder’s department SOP.
Training Drills

Drill #1: Safety Switch/ Spark Drill

WARNING: PERFORM SAFETY CHECK TO ENSURE NO TASER CARTRIDGES OF ANY TYPE ARE PRESENT DURING THIS DRILL. PAIR STUDENTS TOGETHER AND HAVE EACH STUDENT VERIFY NO CARTRIDGE ON THEIR PARTNER’S WEAPON.

Objective: To provide each student the practical training to safely and properly operate the safety switch and trigger on the TASER device.

Weapon Configuration:
- M26 with batteries/X26 with DPM/XDPM
- NO Cartridges

INSTRUCTOR NOTES: Divide the class into two equal groups. Ensure that each student monitors their partner while performing the drills. Emphasize that the trigger on the M26 is an electric switch and feels different than a firearm trigger. Many accuracy-related issues may be avoided by explaining the difference between the trigger on the M26 and that of a standard firearm. The X26 trigger is more like a standard firearms trigger. Also emphasize that in field use, subjects should be given the full five-second cycle. This drill will also show how to stop the cycle on command in the event of an accidental firing, missed shot, etc.

Commands for this exercise are:

READY – THREAT - SAFE

Exercise A: Spark only
1. Issue one weapon to each student pair (NO cartridges)
2. READY: Point in safe direction and place safety switch in the up (ARMED) position
3. THREAT: Pull trigger and allows cycle to run for full 5 seconds
4. Repeat as necessary until comfortable with trigger

Exercise B: Spark & Safe
1. READY: Point in safe direction and place safety switch in the up (ARMED) position
2. THREAT: Pull trigger and allow to cycle until next command (which is “SAFE” to end the cycle early)
3. SAFE: Place safety switch in the down (SAFE) position

Have each group perform this drill until everyone shows proficiency manipulating the TASER.

Note: It is not uncommon for the selector to stick especially on newer M26’s. Officers with smaller hands may also have trouble manipulating the selector switch. If a student has trouble completing this drill with one hand, instruct them to use their support or off hand to work the switch.
Training Drills

DRILL #2: Aiming/Holster Drill (Dry Fire)

WARNING: PERFORM SAFETY CHECK TO ENSURE NO TASER CARTRIDGES OF ANY TYPE ARE PRESENT DURING THIS DRILL. PAIR STUDENTS TOGETHER AND HAVE EACH STUDENT VERIFY NO CARTRIDGE ON THEIR PARTNER’S WEAPON. REMIND STUDENTS THAT LASERS ARE NOT TO BE POINTED INTO THE EYE OF ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL.

Objective: To provide each student the opportunity to practice proper aiming techniques and unholstering/holstering of the TASER

Weapon Configuration:
- M26 with batteries/ X26 with DPM/XDPM
- Holster
- NO cartridges

Instructor Note: Have student check partner’s weapon prior to holstering and verify that no cartridge is installed. Divide the class in half and have each group face the other, approximately 11-15 feet apart. Remind class that this is optimum deployment range for the TASER devices. The group not firing should observe partner’s hand placement, cant of the weapon, etc.

Advise the students that the commands for exercise A will be:
READY - THREAT – SAFE – HOLSTER

Commands for exercise B will be:
READY - THREAT – SWITCH – THREAT – SAFE - HOLSTER

Exercise A:
1. READY: Draw weapon, place safety switch in up (ARMED) position, and aim laser sight at center of mass
2. THREAT: Verbalize “TASER, TASER”, pull trigger and wait for full five second cycle
3. SAFE: Place safety switch in the down (SAFE) position (prepares them for possible reload)
4. HOLSTER: Students place safe weapon in holster
5. Repeat as necessary

Exercise B:
1. READY: Same
2. THREAT: Same
3. SWITCH: Student changes to a second target and repeats verbal TASER, TASER
4. THREAT: Same
5. SAFE: Same
6. HOLSTER: Same
Training Drills

Drill #3: Loading Cartridges

**WARNING:** PERFORM SAFETY CHECK TO ENSURE EVERY TASER HAS HAD THE BATTERY TRAY REMOVED. PAIR STUDENTS TOGETHER AND HAVE EACH STUDENT VERIFY THE BATTERY TRAYS HAVE BEEN REMOVED ON THEIR PARTNER’S WEAPON.

Objective: To provide each student the opportunity to practice proper loading of the TASER cartridge

Weapon Configuration:
- M26/X26
- Safety switch – ON for entire drill
- One air cartridge

**INSTRUCTOR NOTES:** Divide the class into two equal groups. Ensure that students monitor their partner when performing the reload drill. Each student must demonstrate how to perform a safe and proper reload. The instructor also needs to ensure that the safety switch on every TASER device is placed in the on (SAFE) position.

Exercise:
1. Issue one weapon and cartridge to each student pair
2. Have students practice loading and unloading the TASER Cartridge, rotating the cartridge each time to emphasize reversible fit.
3. Repeat with loading cartridge from spare cartridge holder to weapon
4. The reload drill should be performed close to the chest and not with the arm in an extended firing position. The close proximity of the reload will increase speed and stability under stress. Also, the TASER device should be held just below eye level so the student keeps his/her head up to monitor the threat while they are reloading.

**KEY OBSERVATION AREAS:**
- Point weapon in a safe direction
- Proper hand placement away from the front of the weapon
- Maintain weapon close to body during reload
- Keep head and eyes up to watch threat
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Drill #4: Live Fire (M26)

WARNING: THIS IS A LIVE FIRE EXERCISE. ALL STUDENTS MUST ADHERE TO ALL TASER INTERNATIONAL SAFETY PROCEDURES. ENSURE AREA AROUND AND BEHIND TARGET IS CLEAR (NO DOORS FOR UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY, WINDOWS, TV SETS, ETC.).

Objective: To provide each student a low stress environment to deploy the ADVANCED TASER with a live TASER Cartridge.

Weapon Configuration:
M26 with batteries
Holster
21’ Standard TASER Cartridge (may substitute 15-foot cartridges or XP cartridges)
Target (preferably conductive target)

INSTRUCTOR NOTE: Place target between 11 and 15 feet away and emphasize optimum deployment range. Remind students that if the target is conductive, the sound of the spark should be fairly quiet, indicating a good connection similar to what is heard when deployed in the skin of a subject. Non conductive (e.g. paper) targets or metal targets with many holes will produce a loud spark.

Commands for this exercise are:
READY - THREAT - SAFE – HOLSTER

Exercise:
1. READY: Draw weapon, place safety switch in the up (ARMED) position, aim laser at upper center of mass
2. THREAT: Command “TASER, TASER”, deploy probes and allow to cycle for full five seconds. Remain on target and ready to provide additional cycles if necessary.
3. SAFE: Place safety switch in the down (SAFE) position. Remove cartridge and break wires. Save expended cartridge for later exercise.
4. HOLSTER: Return safe weapon to holster.

Key Observations Areas:
Verbal commands
Aiming at upper center of mass (point out where second probe impacts target)
Remaining on subject until SAFE command
Safety switch in down (SAFE) position before attempting to remove cartridge
Remember to have the students move. Don’t stay stagnant especially if their target is stationary
Drill #5: Tactical Reloading (Optional depending on number of cartridges available)

WARNING: this is a live fire exercise. All students must adhere to all taser international safety procedures. Ensure area around and behind target is clear (no doors for unauthorized entry, windows, tv sets, etc.).

Objective: To reload and deploy a second TASER cartridge when the first cartridge has failed to subdue the subject due to a missed shot, cartridge malfunction, etc. or a second subject becomes a potential threat.

Weapon Configuration:
- M26 with batteries/ X26 with DPM/XDPM
- Holster
- 21’ Standard LEO TASER Cartridge (may substitute 15-foot cartridges or XP cartridges) loaded in spare cartridge holder
- Expended cartridge from previous drill loaded in weapon
- Two targets if available (preferably conductive metal targets)

INSTRUCTOR NOTE: Place target(s) between 11 and 15 feet away and emphasize optimum deployment range. Remind students that if the target is conductive, the sound of the spark should be fairly quiet, indicating a good connection similar to what is heard when deployed in the skin of a subject. Non conductive (e.g. paper) targets or metal targets with many holes will produce a loud spark.

Commands for this exercise are:
READY - THREAT – MOVE - RELOAD – THREAT - SAFE – HOLSTER

Exercise:
1. READY: Draw weapon, place safety switch in up (ARMED) position, aim laser at upper center of mass
2. THREAT: Command “TASER, TASER”, deploy expended cartridge and allow to cycle until next command.
3. MOVE: Move location while preparing to reload
4. RELOAD: Place safety switch in the down (SAFE) position, remove expended cartridge, load live cartridge, safety switch in up (ARMED) position, aim laser at upper center of mass. Remain on subject until next command.
5. THREAT: Command “TASER, TASER”, deploy cartridge for full 5 seconds
6. SAFE: Place safety switch in the down (SAFE) position. Remove air cartridge and break wires. Save expended cartridges for later exercise.
7. HOLSTER: Return safe weapon to holster.

Key Observations Areas:
- Verbal commands
- Aiming at upper center of mass (point out where second probe impacts target)
- Remaining on subject until SAFE command
- Safety switch in the down (SAFE) position before attempting to exchange/remove cartridges
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Drill #6: First Firing (X26)

WARNING: THIS IS A LIVE FIRE EXERCISE. ALL STUDENTS MUST ADHERE TO ALL TASER INTERNATIONAL SAFETY PROCEDURES. ENSURE AREA AROUND AND BEHIND TARGET IS CLEAR (NO DOORS FOR UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY, WINDOWS, TV SETS, ETC.).

Purpose/Objective: This drill is designed to force the student to use the fixed sites on the X26 and hit a target without the assistance of any illumination and follow through with drive stun backup in case of a missed hit or single probe hit.

• Student Supplies:
  • X26 with DPM/ XDPM and illumination set to OO
  • eXoskeleton/Blade Tech Holster
  • 21’ Standard LEO TASER Cartridge
  • Target

INSTRUCTOR NOTE: Place targets between 11 and 15 feet away. All firing will be conducted without the assistance of the laser sighting system. Remind students that they will need to use their front and rear sights for this drill.

Commands for this exercise are:  
THREAT – SAFE – HOLSTER

Exercise:

1. THREAT: Draw weapon, place safety switch in the up (ARMED) position, aim sights at upper center of mass, command “TASER, TASER” and deploy. Advance on target and apply drive stun until next command.

2. SAFE: Place safety switch in the down (SAFE) position and remove TASER cartridge.

3. HOLSTER: Return safe weapon to holster.

Key Observations Areas:
• Verbal commands
• Manual sights at upper center of mass (also note where second probe impacts target)
• Keep trigger depressed during drive stun
• Safety switch in the down (SAFE) position before attempting to remove cartridge
SCENARIO TRAINING

Scenario 1: Emotionally Disturbed Person

WARNING: Do not conduct scenario training unless ALL required safety equipment is available. Use ONLY blue LS cartridges. LS Cartridges do not transfer the electrical current, however the probes deploy and have shortened barbed probes and the cartridge electrodes are functional in the drive stun mode (applies only to older style LS cartridge with blue wedges). New Style LS cartridge has plastic electrodes which allows the drive stun without effect as long as its applied perpendicular to the body. The new LS cartridge has white wedges). All TASER Safety Rules apply to this scenario.

Objective: To provide each student the opportunity to practice basic TASER deployment skills in a simulated real-life scenario.

Instructor Notes: This scenario can be run with two, three, or four officers. Note: Tactics will vary based on the number of officers involved. Make officers justify actions based on their department policy and procedures. Some sort of physical activity should be conducted prior to this drill to increase heart rate and stress level. Assign roles (TSO, TEO and Subject).

Weapon Configuration:
- One or two TASER devices with spare cartridge holders installed
- Blue Simulation LS Air Cartridges (two each weapon)
- One or two simulated firearms and/or simulated knife (if available)
- Eye protection for the TSO, TEO and all officers and instructors within the training area

Scenario Set-up:
The Master Instructor will assign one or two pairs of students to respond to an unknown disorder involving an emotionally disturbed person yelling and threatening suicide in the middle of a street. The caller (neighbor) says the person is suffering a manic episode and is now threatening to kill himself and others. The scenario starts when the officers initiate contact. The outcome of the scenario will depend upon the actions of the student(s). Possibilities include: 1) TASER Deployment 2) Deadly Force.

Responder(s) Information:
Officer(s) respond to an unknown disorder in front of 918 N. Challenged Way reference a person screaming in the roadway. The caller said she could hear the person yelling. The caller could offer no additional information.

Role-Player (Subject) Instructions:
Your name is John (or Jane) Smith and you have been off your psych medication for several days. Your mother just attempted to get you into her car and take you to the hospital. You kicked your mother and ran into the street with a knife from the kitchen. You think the world is out to get you and would rather die or kill someone before being taken back to the hospital. You are on an emotional roller coaster. When the officer(s) arrive, engage them in small talk but don’t be threatening. Start out slow. If the officer(s) fail to control your actions, advance and force them to act. You may attack the officers, threaten suicide only, or just refuse to cooperate. If the TASER is used, simulate being hit and fall to the ground or you may appear unaffected by the...
TASER (simulate a miss or low muscle mass hit). If the officer(s) fail to control and take you into custody, start to get up. When and if an officer places his hand on you, do not resist. The scenario should be run to completion to include restraint of the suspect.

**Exercise:** The TSO must declare the training area ready prior to beginning the scenario. Ensure only LS (blue) cartridges are available, no real firearms are present, and the downrange area is clear of all personnel other that the roll player in the simulation suit. Double check integrity of simulation suit, and ensure eye protection is in place.

When safety checks are complete, the TEO advises the responders to enter the scene and begin the scenario. Anyone, including observers, MUST declare a CEASE FIRE if any safety violations are noted. The scenario continues until the TEO declares that the scenario is complete. Safety equipment must remain in place until the TSO declares “Subject Controlled” and all weapons are holstered.

The TEO leads the post-scenario critique. Key observations include:

- Did officers use lethal cover and maintain appropriate separation between cover officers and TASER officers?
- Did TASER officers position themselves to avoid crossfire?
- Did TASER officers maintain a safe distance from subject (optimum 7-15 feet)\
- Did the officers communicate appropriately between themselves?
- Did the officers communicate appropriately with the EDP?
- Did officers verbalize before deploying (TASER, TASER)?
- Did officers use a dual TASER hit?
- Did officers use a second TASER cycle?
- Did officers reload and attempt a second shot if the first appeared ineffective?
- Did officers use drive stun backup if appropriate?
- Did officers restrain subject/secure suspect’s weapon?

Do not let the post-scenario critique get bogged down with discussions of tactics unrelated to the TASER. It is appropriate to point out options, but do not dictate tactics.

Repeat the scenario as necessary with new responders. Have responders from previous scenario lead the post scenario critique of each subsequent group.
SCENARIO TRAINING

Scenario 2: Burglary in Progress

WARNING: Do not conduct scenario training unless ALL required safety equipment is available. Use ONLY blue LS cartridges. LS Cartridges do not transfer the electrical current, however the probes deploy and have shortened barbed probes and the cartridge electrodes are functional in the drive stun mode. All TASER Safety Rules apply to this scenario.

Objective: To provide each student the opportunity to practice basic TASER deployment skills in a simulated real-life scenario.

Instructor Notes: This scenario can be run with two, three, or four officers. Note: Tactics will vary based on the number of officers involved. Make officers justify actions based on their department policy and procedures. Some sort of physical activity should be conducted prior to this drill to increase heart rate and stress level. Assign roles (TSO, TEO and Subject).

Weapon Configuration:
- One or two TASER devices with spare cartridge holders installed
- Blue Simulation LS TASER Cartridges (two each weapon)
- One or two simulated firearms and/or simulated knife (if available)
- Eye protection for the TSO, TEO and all officers and instructors within the training area

Scenario Set-up:
One or two pairs of students will be directed to respond to burglary in progress at the local school. Upon arrival the officers should not be able to see the burglar because he or she is hiding. The suspect shall hide in a position that requires the TASER operator to fire at a horizontal target. The scenario starts when the officers enter the room and begin their search. The suspect will not comply with orders until TASER deployed and forcibly removed from under a table.

Responder Information:
The Police Department received a call from ABC security who reported an alarm activation at the local elementary school. The alarm company reported glass breakage and their monitoring system could hear voices inside the front office. It is 2300 hours and the school is closed.

Role-Player (Subject) Instructions:
Your name is Bob (or Bobbi) Jones and you have just broken into the local elementary school in hopes of stealing some electronic equipment. You were recently released from a halfway house and are on probation for burglary. Your probation officer said that you would be sent back to prison if you so much as jaywalk. Moments after you break the front office door, you see police pulling into the front parking lot. All of your escape paths have been cut off and all you can do is hide. You will lay under a table with your head and face covered. You will not listen to commands to come out no matter what the officers say they will do to you. If the officers do not respond quickly to your non-compliance, tell them you have a knife and you will cut them if they touch you. If the TASER is used, simulate being hit. The TEO will let you know if you are successfully hit. Do not come out from under the table unless you are told to do so by the TEO.
Ultimately, we want to see if the officer will pull you out. When you are pulled free, comply, do not resist. The scenario should be run to completion to include restraint of the suspect.

**Exercise:** The TSO must declare the training area ready prior to beginning the scenario. Ensure only LS (blue) cartridges are available, no real firearms are present, and the downrange area is clear of all personnel other that the roll player in the simulation suit. Double check integrity of simulation suit, and ensure eye protection is in place.

When safety checks are complete, the TEO advises the responders to enter the scene and begin the scenario. Anyone, including observers, MUST declare a CEASE FIRE if any safety violations are noted. The scenario continues until the TEO declares that the scenario is complete. Safety equipment must remain in place until the TSO declares “Subject Controlled” and all weapons are holstered.

The TEO leads the post-scenario critique. Key observations include:

- Did officers use lethal cover and maintain appropriate separation between cover officers and TASER officers?
- Did officers build communication with the suspect?
- Did officers communicate between themselves?
- Did TASER officers position themselves to avoid crossfire?
- Did TASER officers maintain a safe distance from subject (optimum 7-15 feet)?
- Did officers verbalize before deploying (TASER, TASER)?
- Did officers cant weapon for a horizontal target?
- Did officers use a dual TASER hit?
- Did officers use a second TASER cycle?
- Did officers reload and attempt a second shot if first appeared ineffective?
- Did officers use drive stun backup if appropriate?
- Did officers restrain subject/secure suspect’s weapon?

Do not let the post-scenario critique get bogged down with discussions of tactics unrelated to the TASER. It is appropriate to point out options, but do not dictate tactics. Repeat the scenario as necessary with new responders. Have responders from previous scenario lead the post scenario critique of each subsequent group.
TARGET BASED SCENARIO TRAINING
(No simulation suit or LS cartridges available)

Target Scenario 1: Single Shot Scenario

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Objective: To provide the student an opportunity to deploy the TASER device in a simulated scenario when lack of safety equipment precludes using a live subject.

Weapon configuration:
- One or two TASER devices with spare cartridge holders installed
- Holster
- 21' Standard LEO (or 15 foot) TASER Cartridge

INSTRUCTOR NOTE: Issue one live cartridge to each student. Set 4 targets in safe locations and number 1 through 4.

Scenario set-up: You have just arrived at a domestic dispute call. There are two officers already on scene. Male is handcuffed in squad car. Female partner has just become extremely irate; demands police not take her husband away. She flees to kitchen, stating her intention to return with a knife to confront officers.

Students must enter in teams of two, one lethal cover officer (red gun or other non-live firearm to be used if available) and a TASER officer. Officers must run or exercise briefly before entering room to elevate heart rate. On entering room, officers must communicate clearly between lethal and less lethal, maintain clear lines of fire, approach subject and deploy TASER. Officers must yell “TASER, TASER!” prior to deployment and continue to apply TASER pulsed energy and verbal commands until instructor declares, “Subject controlled.”
Target Scenario 2: Multiple Shot and Reloading Scenario

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Objective: To provide the student an opportunity to deploy the TASER device in a simulated scenario with multiple targets when lack of safety equipment precludes using live subjects.

Weapon configuration:
- One or two TASER devices with spare cartridge holders installed
- Holster
- (2) 21' Standard LEO (or 15 foot) TASER Cartridge
- (2) Expended cartridges

**INSTRUCTOR NOTE:** Issue one live cartridge and two expended cartridges to each student. Set 4 targets in safe locations and number 1 through 4.

**INSTRUCTOR NOTES:** Issue two live cartridges and two expended cartridges to each student. Each officer shall load his partner’s weapon such that each officer does not know the location of the two live vs. two “dud” cartridges (one in chamber, one in XDPM, and two in holster). Instructor sets up 4 targets, numbered 1-4 inside room.

Scenario set-up: You have just been dispatched to a bar fight in progress. The caller advised that four subjects are involved and one of them may be armed with a knife. You need to enter the bar and make contact with the four subjects.

Students must enter in teams of two, one lethal cover officer (red gun or other non-live firearm to be used) and a TASER officer. Officers must run or exercise briefly before entering room to elevate heart rate. On entering room, officers must communicate clearly between lethal and less lethal, maintain clear lines of fire, approach subject and deploy TASER. Officers must yell “TASER” prior to deployment and continue to apply TASER pulsed energy and verbal commands until instructor declares, “Subject controlled.”

On student entering the room, instructor yells “Target #X has the knife.” Students must engage that target number first. If they miss or have a dud, they need to reload and continue to engage same target until instructor declares, “Subject controlled.” Instructor then yells “Target #Y is approaching, unarmed, with aggressive behavior.” Team must engage until target under control.

If no live cartridges remain, or misses occur, second target must be aggressively engaged with drive stun.